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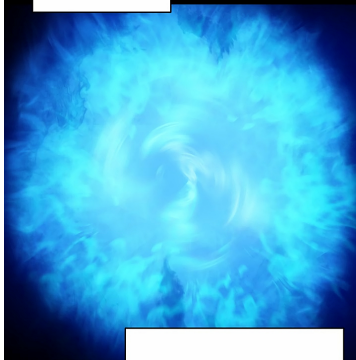
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ONE MUST EXIT A
GATE WITHIN AN HOUR
OF DEFEATING THE
DUNGEON BOSS.



BUT
I FAILED...

...AND
BECAME TRAPPED
IN A DIMENSIONAL
RIFT.



THE RULERS
MADE CONTACT
WITH ME...

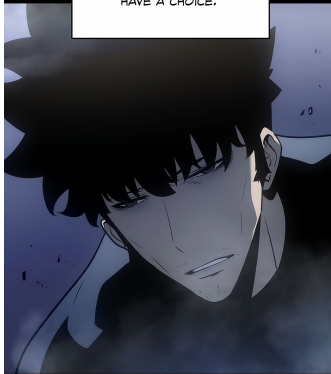
...AND LENT ME THEIR
STRENGTH, REQUESTING
THAT I STOP THE
MONARCHS,





INCLUDING
THE MONARCH OF
SHADOWS, WHO WOULD
SOON BE BORN.

WITH NO MEANS
OF ESCAPE, I DIDN'T
HAVE A CHOICE.



I WAS ABLE TO RETURN
TO EARTH AS THE RULERS'
MESSENGER TO CARRY OUT
THE IMPORTANT MISSION
ON THEIR BEHALF.

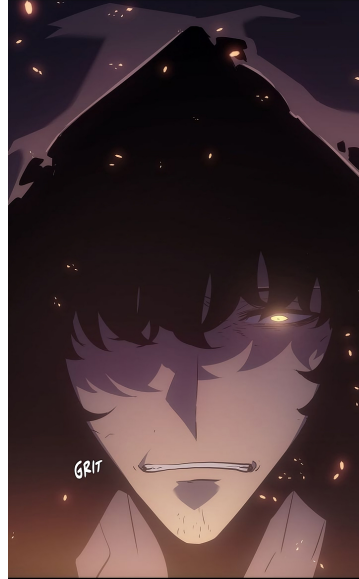


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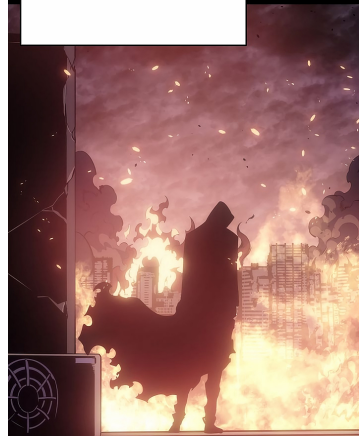
...I COULD NOT
COMPLETE THE
MISSION.





GRIT

I KNEW THE WORST
DISASTER TO BEFALL
MANKIND RESIDED
WITHIN THAT BODY...



...BUT ALL I COULD
DO WAS WATCH FROM
A DISTANCE.

MEANWHILE,



THE RULERS, WHO HAD
BEEN WHOLLY INTENT ON
STOPPING THE MONARCH
OF SHADOWS' FULL
DESCENT,

BEGAN TO
HAVE A CHANGE
OF HEART.

AND FINALLY, THE
GREATEST FRAGMENT
OF BRILLIANT LIGHT
GAVE ME A NEW
ORDER.



*PROTECT THE
MONARCH OF
SHADOWS.*

THE RULERS
REALIZED THAT IN ORDER
TO STOP THE MONARCHS'
PLANS, THEY NEEDED THE
SHADOW MONARCH'S
ABSOLUTE POWER.

THE DRAGON KING'S
ARMY OF DESTRUCTION
WAS DUE TO ARRIVE
BEFORE THE HEAVENLY
SOLDIERS,

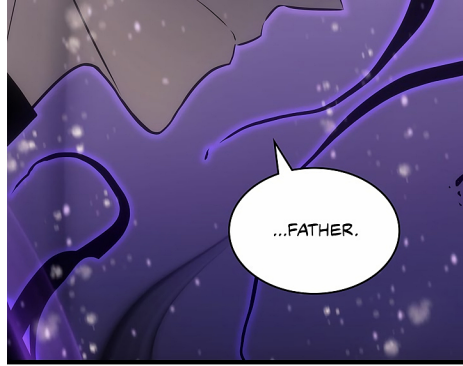
AND HE WAS THE
ONLY ONE WHO
COULD STOP
THEM...

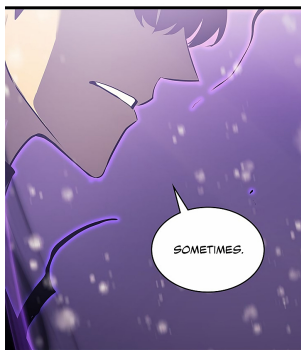
IT WAS A HUGE GAMBLE,
NOT KNOWING WHETHER
HE WOULD SIDE WITH
THE HUMANS OR THE
MONARCHS.

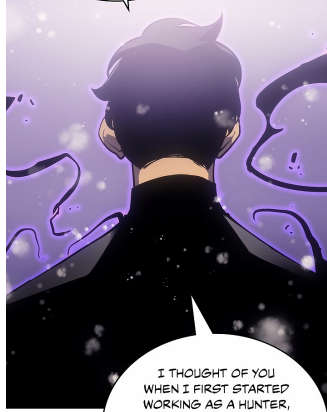
BUT WE KNOW
THE ANSWER TO
THAT NOW.











I THOUGHT OF YOU
WHEN I FIRST STARTED
WORKING AS A HUNTER,
EACH TIME I HAD A BRUSH
WITH DEATH, AND EACH
TIME I MADE IT BACK
HOME TO MOM AND
JINAH...

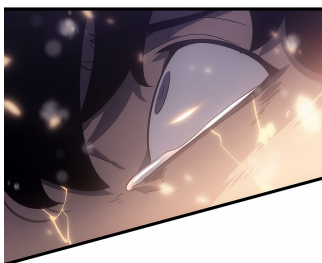
I HATED
YOU...



...BUT I ALSO
MISSED YOU.







YES, ALWAYS... NOT
A MOMENT WENT BY
WITHOUT THINKING
ABOUT YOU.



EVEN THOUGH
YOU COULDN'T
SEE ME,



GETTING
TO WATCH YOU FROM
AFAR WAS ENOUGH TO
BRING ME JOY...





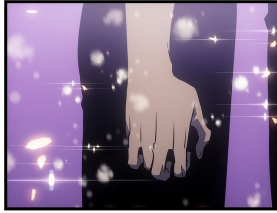


WERE THEY THE
ONES WHO CAST
YOU ASIDE AFTER
USING YOU?

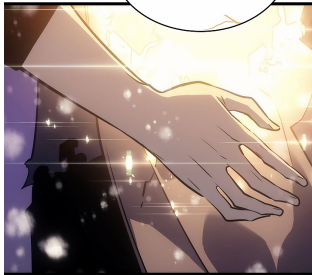
THEY SIMPLY GAVE
ME THE OPPORTUNITY
TO MAKE A CHOICE.



I CHOSE TO
PROTECT YOU, WHICH
WAS THE RIGHT
THING TO DO.

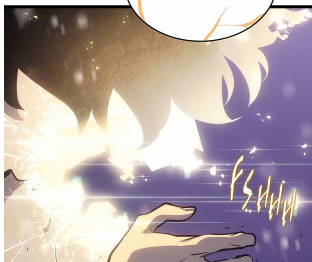


I WOULD'VE
LIKED TO TALK TO
YOU MORE.



I WISH I COULD
HAVE...

...SPENT MORE
TIME WITH YOU.





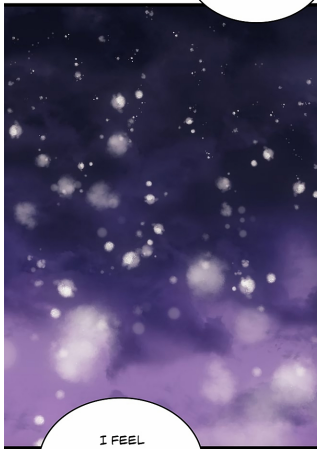








FOR SOME
REASON,



I FEEL
LIKE IT'S OKAY
TO LEAVE THIS
HOUSE NOW.



DO YOU
HEAR ME,
MONARCHS?!



I'LL MAKE SURE
YOU PAY FOR WHAT
HAPPENED TODAY!



DO YOU
HEAR ME?!

THE DAY THE MONARCH
OF SHADOWS' CRIES SHOOK
HEAVEN AND EARTH...

...MARKED THE
BEGINNING OF THE
REAL WAR.

THOMAS ANDRE'S LIFE
IS NOT AT RISK...



AMBULANCES ARE ARRIVING
AT THE SCENE TO TRANSPORT
THE WOUNDED TO LOCAL
HOSPITALS.



THE BEAST THAT
SLAUGHTERED HUNDREDS
OF CIVILIANS IS NO
LONGER MOVING.



ALL THAT'S LEFT OF
IT ARE ITS ASHES!

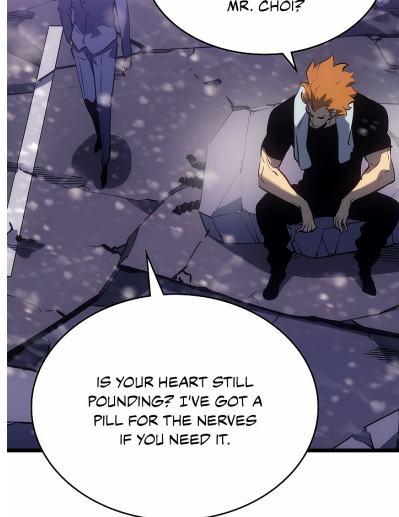


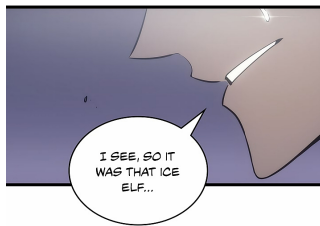
YOU
LOOKED PRETTY
ROUGH EARLIER,
MR. BAEK...

DO YOU
FEEL BETTER
NOW?



WHY DON'T YOU
WIPE THAT COLD
SWEAT OFF YOUR
FOREHEAD FIRST,





THE HUNTER'S
ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCED
THAT THE BEASTS WERE
UNIDENTIFIABLE.



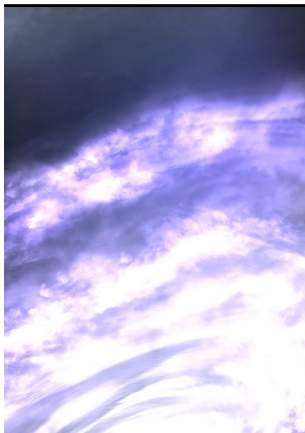
THE EXTENT OF
THE DAMAGE THEY
LEFT BEHIND WAS
STAGGERING.

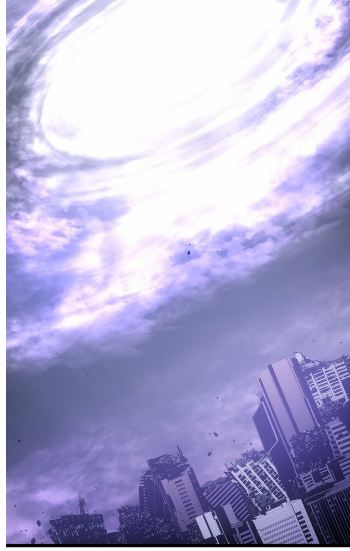


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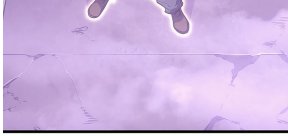


...IN JUST A
FEW DAYS' TIME,
DISASTER WOULD
STRIKE AGAIN.









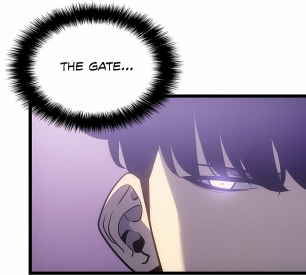
NEVER HAVE
THIS MANY HUNTERS
FROM AROUND THE
WORLD GATHERED
IN ONE PLACE.



I WONDER HOW
MANY OF THEM WILL
SURVIVE...









**I, IT'S AN
ARMY!**



**AND A
MASSIVE ONE,
AT THAT...!**

**POSITIONS,
EVERYONE!**

**LET'S
PULVERIZE
THEM!!**

TH, THAT'S...!









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